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Premier Kim Il Sung receives Ichiryo Sunama, the delegate of the Japanese Communist Party

Premier Kim Il Sung Receives JCP Delegate

Premier Kim Il Sung received on May 13 the delegate of the Japanese Communist Party Ichiryo Sunama, Alternate Member of the Presidium of the Party Central Committee.

Comrade Bak Yong Guk, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, was present on the occasion.

Also present was Kazuo Takasugi, special correspondent of **Akahata**, central organ of the Japanese Communist Party, in Pyongyang.

Premier Kim Il Sung had a talk with the guest in a warm, comradely atmosphere.

TELEGRAMS

✦ **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and **Choi Yong Kun**, President of the Presidium of the D.P.R.K. Supreme People's Assembly, sent in their joint names a telegram of greetings on May 8 to **Antonin Novotny**, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Communist Party and President of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, and **Jozef Lenart**, Premier of the C.S.R. Government, on the 22nd anniversary of the liberation of Czechoslovakia.

✦ **Kim Il Sung**, Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and **Choi Yong Kun**, President of the Presidium of the D.P.R.K. Supreme People's Assembly, received messages from Comrades **Jeno Fock** and **Losonczi Pal**, in reply to their messages of greetings sent on the latters' election as Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Hungarian Worker-Peasant Revolutionary Government and President of the Presidium of the Hungarian People's Republic

U.A.R. National Assembly Delegation Leaves for Home

The delegation of the National Assembly of the United Arab Republic left for home by air on May 9 after completing its six-day visit to Korea.

The delegation was seen off at the airport by First Vice-Premier Kim Il, Vice-Premier Pak Sung Chul and other high-ranking officials and public figures.

Also present were diplomatic envoys from various countries.

A send-off ceremony was held at the airport. The distinguished guests inspected a guard of honour.

Choe Won Taek, Chairman of the Supreme People's Assembly and Chairman Anwar El Sadat spoke at the ceremony.

The crowd waved flowers to the honoured guests until the plane carrying them was out of sight.

Prior to the departure, Chairman Anwar El Sadat had a press interview and gave a banquet. Chairman Anwar El Sadat and President Choi Yong Kun addressed the banquet. The banquet proceeded in a friendly atmosphere throughout.

During its stay in Korea the delegation also visited the Children's and Students' Palace in Pyongyang and saw an art performance of the children there.

Premier Kim Il Sung receiving Chairman of the Venezuelan National Liberation Front

Premier Kim Il Sung Receives Venezuelan Guest

Premier Kim Il Sung received on May 10 Major Elias Manuitt, Chairman of the Venezuelan National Liberation Front, now on a visit to Korea.

Present on the occasion was Bak Yong Guk, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Premier Kim Il Sung had a cordial talk with the guest.

Premier Kim Il Sung talking with the delegation of the Central Union of Workers of Cuba

Premier Kim Il Sung Receives Cuban Delegation

Premier Kim Il Sung received on May 9 the visiting delegation of the Central Union of Workers of Cuba led by Ursinio Rojas, its Executive Bureau Member and Auditing Secretary and Member of the Central Committee of the Cuban Communist Party.

Bak Yong Guk, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, was present on the occasion.

Basilio Rodriguez Rodriguez, Cuban Ambassador to Korea, accompanied the delegation.

Premier Kim Il Sung had a friendly talk with the guests.

Premier Kim Il Sung Receives Guatemalan Guest

Premier Kim Il Sung received on May 10 Gabriel Sallasar, Member of the Political Bureau and Member of the Secretariat of the Guatemalan Workers' Party and Member of the National Leadership of the Uprising Armed Forces.

Present on the occasion was Bak Yong Guk, Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Premier Kim Il Sung had a friendly talk with the guest.

Our Meeting with Premier Kim Il Sung Will Live in Our Memory

Speech of Chairman Anwar El Sadat

AT BANQUET (Abridged)

I avail myself of this occasion to express our fraternal thanks to you for having provided an unforgettable, fine opportunity for us to see for ourselves your great people who are making devoted efforts for the construction of your country and its future and to feel deep in our hearts the friendly and fraternal sentiments cherished by the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea towards the people of the United Arab Republic and their militant leader, President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

The friendship and fraternity between the peoples of our two countries are being strengthened and developed daily, and they truly reflect the triumphant path of advance traversed by both peoples who are striving for political freedom and social liberty and by all progressive peoples aspiring to freedom, progress and peace.

The glorious history created by the great Korean people in their life-and-death struggle and in their endeavours for construction sets a fine example that man can repulse oppression and aggression of all sorts at any time and at any place and that mankind can display its ability to the full at any time and at any place in the creative work for man's freedom and dignity—its ultimate goal.

The great people of your country were able to smash the imperialist fortress, repel foreign aggression on their own territory, liberate their sacred land from all forms of exploitation, build there a new life free from exploitation of man by man, develop a society capable of making progress in industry and agriculture and establish such a solid base as to be envied by the freedom- and peace-loving nations.

We will not forget our meeting with His Excellency Kim Il Sung, the great leader who leads your struggle for liberation and construction to victory, the teacher who has combined his instruction with the experience of the Korean revolution and with those of all revolutions of the world so as to record them on the pages of history as a source of wisdom in the revolutionary work, as a source of wealth in socialist construction.

The revolutionary advance our people have made since the beginning of a new history, the attempts of imperialism and its reactionary stooges that have revived to strangle the revolutionary forces, and the lessons the masses of our people have learned from their struggles show that socialism is the only road to consolidating the foundations of the independence we won at the sacrifice of our martyrs and through the decisive victory in the Suez battle in 1956, to discouraging finally the attempts of any outside forces to make a comeback in our country and liquidating feudalism, and to eliminating the monopoly groups of parasitic classes hindering the victorious onward march of the masses of the people and colluding with the colonialist and imperialist forces.

Feudalism and the monopoly groups having been liquidated, all means of production have come under the control of the people, the wealth of the country has been redivided and its bases have begun to expand. The forces of the people having become united, great achievements have been scored in all spheres of life of the people; despite the daily resistance and machinations of every description, our people have made tremendous progress.

Your people are among the progressive and liberating forces who fight a common struggle with a common aim and destiny. We are very happy to see the friendly relations between our two peoples firmly based on the principles of equality, mutual respect, and non-interference, which set a fine example of good neighbourly relations among nations, are strengthening and developing from day to day.

The current meeting between the people of the D.P.R.K. and the delegation of the U.A.R. people is a case of inevitable meeting of the peoples who are struggling for freedom and social equality and doing their utmost for the victory of this struggle in their own countries and throughout the world.

Imperialism must be wiped out from every corner of the globe and colonialism of all forms be exterminated.

We denounce all types of imperialist interference against the people and, at the same time, the military aggression of the imperialist forces in all parts of the world.

One of the most recent cases of the crimes committed against us is the painful tragedy made by the imperialist and colonialist forces in the heart of the Arab nations.

Imperialism handed Arab Palestine to its racialist stooges and by so doing intended to deprive her of her nationality and life. Imperialism expelled from Palestine its inhabitants who have legal rights, seized their property and houses, and forced them to live in tents as refugees.

Imperialism and the reactionary, intriguing forces are still carrying on acts of betraying the will of the people on South Arabian Peninsula.

They are trying to block the path to progress taken by the Yemeni people who are making the revolution enter the era of liberation and progress breaking out of the medieval darkness.

The imperialists and the reactionary, intriguing forces are seeking to deprive the people in the occupied South Yemen of their rights to win independence by their heroic armed struggle and participate in the general Arab revolutionary movement involving the whole Arab world. But the Arab revolutionary movement will in the not distant future deal a decisive blow at the forces of imperialism and reaction who are putting up the last-ditch struggle on the Arab soil.

We demand that the aggressive bombing of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam be stopped at once, that the South Vietnamese people be allowed to shape their own destiny by themselves in accordance with the spirit of the 1954 Geneva Agreements, and that the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation, which is making every effort to achieve peace in Southeast Asia, be recognized as the sole, legitimate representative of the South Vietnamese people.

During the few days of our stay in your great country we have had a chance to exchange ideas and experiences with our close and faithful friends, deepen mutual understanding between us and manifest the desire of our two peoples to strengthen our relations as much as possible.

There is no doubt that after this successful meeting the co-operation existing between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United Arab Republic would grow substantially in all spheres of life in view of the experiences the peoples of both countries have gained in their struggle.

Moreover, co-operation will be strengthened in defending the common position respecting most important problems of the present world, in taking joint action for the final annihilation of imperialism and for the frustration of the aggressive plots intensified in all parts of Asia, Africa and Latin America and in foiling the attempts of neo-colonialism.

All this will open up an avenue for the steady development of the fraternal and friendly relations between both peoples.

You may rest assured that our people, our leader and our government will be with you and will support in every possible way your sacred and legitimate struggle for the reunification of the Korean territory.

We hope that your people will achieve greater results and victories.

Friendship and Solidarity Between Korea and U.A.R. Are Unbreakable

Speech of President Choi Yong Kun

AT BANQUET (Abridged)

Brief as your stay in our country has been, your visit this time has acquired a great significance and left an unforgettable, deep imprint on our people.

You conveyed the warm fraternity and friendly sentiments of the people of the United Arab Republic towards the Korean people as well as the profound affection and reverence of your people and their leaders for Premier Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of our people.

You paid a high tribute to the achievements made by our people in socialist construction under the wise leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung and expressed full support for and solidarity with our people in the just struggle to achieve the independent reunification of the country.

Through your visit to our country, we have been better acquainted with the brilliant successes your people are scoring in their hard endeavours for the country's independent development and prosperity under the leadership of President Gamal Abdel Nasser, their sagacious leader.

The Government and people of the U.A.R. are opposing the aggressive schemes of the imperialists and colonialists and actively supporting the people's liberation struggle.

The Korean people are very happy to have your people as their close friends and brothers on the common front of struggle against imperialism and colonialism.

Your visit has greatly contributed to further deepening the understanding between the peoples of our two countries and strengthening and developing the relations of friendship and co-operation already established between them.

The consolidation of friendship and co-operation between our two countries, not only conforms to the interests of both peoples but contributes to cementing the solidarity of the Afro-Asian peoples in the common struggle against imperialism and colonialism.

Today the U.S. imperialists are feverishly escalating the barbarous war of aggression against the Vietnamese people and stepping up aggressive and subversive activities in Korea and the Arab region, in all parts of Asia, Africa and Latin America.

This situation makes it incumbent upon all revolutionary peoples and anti-imperialist forces to strengthen their solidarity and counter the aggressive moves of the imperialists by their united strength.

The governments and peoples of Korea and the U.A.R. have a complete identity of views on this point.

We will, in the future, too, bend all our efforts to consolidate our militant solidarity with the peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America.

The friendship and solidarity between the peoples of our two countries are unbreakable, for they are formed in the common struggle against imperialism and colonialism, our common enemy, and for national liberation and consolidation of independence. The close relations of friendship and co-operation between the peoples of Korea and the U.A.R. will further thrive and develop day by day.

The delegation of the U.A.R. National Assembly visiting the Joyang Co-operative Farm

We Are Most Touched by the Complete Unity between Leader and People

U.A.R. NATIONAL ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN HOLDS PRESS INTERVIEW

Anwar El Sadat, Chairman of the National Assembly of the United Arab Republic, said: "I extended to his Excellency Premier Kim Il Sung in the name of President Nasser an invitation to pay a visit to the United Arab Republic and I am happy to say that he accepted it."

He revealed this at an interview with reporters prior to his departure from Pyongyang on May 9. He declared: "We must come closer to each other through personal contacts on all levels."

He continued: "I should like that you all will convey our thanks and gratitude to the Korean people and their beloved leader Premier Kim Il Sung, our brother-in-arms, for the warm hospitality we have received during our stay here in Korea."

Giving his impressions of Korea he said: "We are very deeply touched by what we have seen here—the national unity among the people behind their leader and the complete unity and love between the leader and the people.

"I and my delegation were very deeply touched by all the activities we have seen here, especially the building of the solid base of the economy. Political independence means nothing without economic independence. We have found here that you are building this solid base for independence and, at the same time, you are building your defences to face the enemy that is on your borders. We support the Korean people and government. We, the U.A.R. Government and people, will give every possible support to your people's struggle for reunification of the country.

"As I told several times in my speeches during our stay here, what our two peoples should do is to work closer together in the future in waging the common struggle against the United States and other imperialists who continually perpetrate aggression against your country and the Arab world; we must form our common front of the progressive forces all over the world."

Playing the aggressive plots of the U.S. imperialists against the Arab states, the Chairman continued:

"The main aggressive plots the United States imperialists are hatching against the Arab states at present is this: They are now leading what we call the counter-revolution against our revolution and all the progressive elements in the area. They have formed their front with the reactionary elements, capitalist elements and some of the kings of the area."

He stressed: "We intend to fight this battle to the end and will give ten blows to those who think of giving us one blow."

It is commonly acknowledged that **Washington Post** is the closest of all papers to the U.S. State Department. It styles itself one of the most staid papers in the United States.

This paper carried two editorials in a week recently as regards the "elections" in South Korea. One glance is enough to see that the paper is off its balance.

The editorial in its May 7 issue expressed the satisfaction with Pak Jung Hi's "re-election to Presidency." Three days later, on May 10, it expressed in its editorial a "profound regret" at the developments in Seoul. Why such a sudden change in its tone and such a fuss?

The reason is that things are going badly with them.

The May 3 "Presidential elections" in South Korea, like their predecessors, were a farce trumped up from beginning to end by means of open terrorism and trickery. Washington was their architect.

This is a fact universally known. To conceal this fact, Washington took pains, but in vain. In South Korea, Pak Jung Hi started a sweeping roundup of the public figures, big and small, who had challenged him during the recent "Presidential elections," as a cruel reprisal. This has opened the eyes of even those who were once taken in by America's spurious propaganda. A dismay at these developments led **Washington Post** to carry its May 10 editorial.

The paper editorially said that the reprisal had nullified the Pak Jung Hi clique's claim "to have run their cleanest, fairest election ever," and it had "embarassed the Americans." The editorial ended with a deploring remark: "What a pity!"

Washington Post lavishly repeated the words "embarrassment" and "regret" in order to hide many scandalous inside stories of the fraudulent "Presidential elections" which are coming to light one after another in South Korea and the crime of the Johnson clique as the actual mastermind of the irregularities from the people of South Korea and the rest of the world who are denouncing the "Presidential elections" more and more loudly.

This seems to be a vain effort, however.

A Korean saying goes: One must lie on the bed one has made.

They can in no way conceal the stark fact fabricated by themselves, particularly the carelessly, openly and repeatedly committed crimes such as the forgery of the puppet government in South Korea.

The May 7 editorial of **Washington Post** cited above is very suggestive of this. The editorial, unlike that of May 10, was very satisfied with the successful campaign for the re-election of Pak Jung Hi.

The editorial described Pak Jung Hi "as the man who dispatched 45,000 troops to Vietnam" and "as the man who normalized relations with Japan." It pointed out that Pak considered that the issue of Korea's reunification "is out of political bounds" and pursued the policy that "those who suggest steps now to adjust relations with the North face charges of 'subversion' and jail." Then it reminded one distinctly of the fact that all these were in accord with the interests of the United States. "It is doubtful whether the 600,000-man army, President Pak's sponsor, would accept his electoral defeat," the editorial observed in a meaningful tone, and it added: "50,000 American troops remain there" (South Korea). "Grateful for Seoul's help in Vietnam, the United States is not inclined to jostle President Pak's firm rule," it concluded.

Everything is so clear that it needs no further explanation here.

To add only one thing.

The rulers in Washington openly declared that they had the intention to engineer even another coup d'etat for the very aim of keeping Pak Jung Hi at the helm of the Seoul puppet regime.

As seen above, "elections" in South Korea have nothing to do with the expression of the people's will. It means nothing but a variant of military coup designed to force America's will. Such is the essence of "elections" in South Korea. The editorial of **Washington Post** has only served to prove this anew.

Ri Hyon Ik

Why Does "Washington Post" Change Its Tone Suddenly?

Tokyo-Bonn Collusion in Washington's Strategy

West German Foreign Minister Willy Brandt recently visited Japan to attend a regular Japanese-West German consultation.

He had talks with Japanese Prime Minister Sato and Foreign Minister Miki.

It was consistently stressed at the talks that they should promote closer co-operation between the two countries on the basis of the "similarity of their programmes and aims" and the "agreement of their views and interests" in the world political issues.

In his first statement issued upon his arrival in Tokyo, Brandt said: "As for our position regarding the major world political issues and the policy towards the third countries, our programmes are close to each other in many respects." And he emphasized time and again at the talk with Sato: "The Japanese-West German consultation in the current world situation assumes greater importance than before."

The "consultation" means an aggressive collusion brought about by the coincidence between the revanchist ambitions of the West German militarists who refuse to recognize the results of the Second World War in Europe and the expansionist programmes of the Japanese militarists seeking to realize their old dream of "Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere" in Asia.

The regular Japanese-West German consultation is the first structure for the revival of the Tojo-Hitler alliance. This, however, is not a simple rehash of the old alliance.

This time the Tokyo-Bonn axis is being formed under the manipulation of Washington as an important part of its strategic plan for world domination.

At the recent talk, Miki and Brandt paid more attention to the Asian problem. This is directly connected with the fact that at present U.S. imperialism is directing the spearhead of aggression against Asia. They promised that they would more actively involve themselves in the U.S. war of aggression in Vietnam and strengthen co-operation in their penetration into "underdeveloped countries" under the name of "aid for development." Stress was laid on the need for "close discussion" between Japan and West Germany for the realization of the "Asia-Pacific programme."

Japanese militarism and German militarism which have revived swiftly under the aegis of U.S. imperialism are assuming increasingly bigger share in the implementation of the aggressive policy of U.S. imperialism. And, as the hotbeds of a new war in the East and West, they are exerting an increasingly bigger menace to world peace.

As was revealed at their recent talks in Tokyo, they have openly expressed their ambition for nuclear weapons on the pretence of the need for having the possibility for "peaceful uses of atomic energy."

The people who have not forgotten the lesson of history, however, will not allow the offspring of Tojo and Hitler to run wild at will.

The people of the world are straight watching the danger of the revived Japanese and West German militarism. They have a distinct understanding that a struggle against U.S. imperialism and a resolute fight against its faithful accomplices, Japanese and West German militarism, is essential for the defence of peace.

Kim Sung Hyong

"Presidential Elections" in S. Korea

Terror from Prologue to Epilogue

An opposition party representative who ran candidate in the "Presidential elections" held on May 3 was arrested by detectives in his party office on May 7. The reason was that his remarks made during his electioneering tour that "Pak Jung Hi killed men of the Korean independence army when he was an officer of the Japanese army" were a "violation of the election law."

An opposition journalist was also arrested on the same day. The offence, it is said, was that he said Pak Jung Hi, in league with the United States, sold out South Korean youths to South Vietnam regarding the nation as a thing or a merchandise.

On the following day, another opposition politician who stood as a "Presidential candidate in the elections" was arrested and imprisoned. His "offence" was that he, in a press interview, called for the reduction of the numerical strength of the army for a cut in the national defence expenditure which is a burden on the people and thus "spoke highly" of the northern part of Korea.

The Pak Jung Hi clique is taking extensive retaliatory measures through arrest and terror in the areas where many electors voted against him in the recent "elections."

In Hwasun, Mokpo and Boseng in South Cholla Province, the opposition "election" observers who had exposed their voting by proxy were severely thrashed by a group of terrorists. Policemen searched the houses of those who had voted against Pak Jung Hi and went after them to resort to the vicious retaliatory acts of arresting them on unjustifiable pretexts.

As of May 10 the number of the arrested and imprisoned on the charge of the "violation of the election law" reached 1,378 (961 cases) including opposition politicians, election officials, public figures and men of the press.

Pak Jung Hi and his clique announced that they would strictly deal with those arrested.

They belong without exception to parties standing opposed to Pak Jung Hi.

Among them are candidates for the "National Assembly elections" to be held on June 8 and the election officials. With the "National Assembly elections" drawing near, the Pak Jung Hi gang have created an atmosphere of terror all over South Korea. They called out 700 plain-clothes men to apprehend an opposition politician who had been registered as a candidate for the National Assembly."

They charge those who have exposed their traitorous crimes with "election crimes" and make cruel reprisals on them and create an atmosphere of terror. This is a prelude to another forgery of "National Assembly elections." It is not necessary to make a lengthy account of this.

The boss of the puppet South Korean police made public that 14 policemen had died while on duty during the recent "Presidential elections." Ascribing their death to "overwork," he said there was a plan to increase the police strength from the present 40,000 to 70,000. This also throws a lucid light on the characteristic of the "elections" in South Korea.

When the opposition proposed a joint investigation by the "election administration committees," "administrative authorities" and "representatives of the candidates" in order to eliminate vogue voters (it is widely known in South Korea that in the recent "Presidential elections" 1,300,000 "vogue votes were cast for Pak Jung Hi), the Pak Jung Hi gang accused the opposition of a "violation of law."

These desperate acts only show that things are not going smoothly as the Pak Jung Hi gang wish to.

Washington is going to appear on the scene not as a remote controller but as a field organizer. U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs Berger is due in Seoul on May 18. His visit, South Korean public considers, is connected with the forthcoming "elections."

On June 8, South Korea will provide another evidence of the impudence of "democratic" elections in the American style.

Huk Jong In

SOJOURN OF FOREIGN GUESTS

Rallied Like One Man

Meeting Held in Honour of Guinean Gov't Delegation

"The Korean people will march ahead hand in hand with the brotherly Guinean people in the struggle against imperialism and colonialism and for the consolidation of national independence and social progress," declared Ri Rak Won, Vice-Chairman of the Pyongyang Municipal People's Committee at a meeting held on May 9 in honour of the Guinean government delegation.

BANGOURA MOHAMED KASSORY, leader of the Guinean government delegation, said:

"I saw everywhere in Korea that all the people are rallied like one man behind Premier Kim Il Sung and are confidently moving ahead."

He reiterated: "Premier Kim Il Sung is the true son of the Korean people, a fighter and an outstanding leader. The Korean people will certainly emerge victorious in their struggle because Premier Kim Il Sung is leading them to a bright future."

Declaring that the Guinean people would resolutely fight to the end against imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism, he stressed that the progressive people of the whole world should wage an anti-imperialist common struggle and express solidarity with the fighting Vietnamese people.

The foreign guests who had come to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the eve of May Day spent pleasant days during their stay here.

They looked round factories and other enterprises, co-op farms, cultural establishments and scenic spots in various parts of the country and met workers, farmers, office employees, men in the fields of culture, art and the press and youths and students.

While in Korea, they were received by Party and Government leaders.

Everywhere they were accorded warm welcome of the Korean people and invited to the meetings held in honour of them and friendship gatherings.

In Pyongyang Area

In Pyongyang, they visited the Museum of Korean Revolution, Patriotic War of Liberation Memorial, Korean National Art Museum, Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition, Kim Il Sung University, Children's and Students' Palace. They also inspected factories, enterprises, co-op farms and cultural and educational establishments in and around the city including the Hwanghae Iron and Steel Works, Pyongyang Electric Locomotive Plant, Gangsu'n Steel Plant, Giyang Tractor Factory, Pyongyang Textile Mill, Pyongyang Silk Mill and Jamjin Co-op Farm.

At the Patriotic War of Liberation Memorial Major Elias Manuitt, Chairman of the Venezuelan National Liberation Front, said:

"This Memorial shows the history of struggle of the most heroic people.

"The myth about the invincibility of U.S. imperialism has been shattered to dust. After returning home I will wage a more stubborn armed struggle for sweeping the enemy, as the Koreans have won victories in their struggle against it."

Foreign guests visiting the Museum of Korean Revolution

In Hamhung Area

Hamhung area, an industrial centre in the east coast, was one of the major places visited by the foreign guests. There they visited the Hungnam Combined Fertilizer Factory, Bon-gung February 8 Vinalon Factory, Ryongso'ng Machine-building Plant and other industrial enterprises and co-op farms.

After visiting the Hungnam Combined Fertilizer Factory, Benoit Frachon, leader of the delegation of the French Confederation of Labour, said:

"What surprised and impressed me most in Korea is the fact that the people of a war-torn country have built their economy splendidly in so short a space of time. In capitalist countries, I think it will take one century at least to build all that the Korean people did in the postwar period.

"The Workers' Party of Korea is led by Premier Kim Il Sung seasoned in the protracted revolutionary struggle. Premier Kim Il Sung is an outstanding leader who is making great contribution to advancing the wheel of history of the world revolution in the stormy era."

The guests who went to the co-op farms chatted with farmers in the fields where preparations for transplanting rice seedlings were in full swing and called at their houses, nurseries and kindergartens.

At Scenic Spots in East Coast

The foreign guests visited Mt. Gumgang, Korea's celebrated mountain, and Songdowon in Wonsan and other scenic spots along the east coast and had a pleasant rest there.

In Panmunjom

In Panmunjom the guests visited the Military Demarcation Line and expressed towering indignation at the U.S. imperialist aggressors who are occupying South Korea and hampering Korea's reunification.

Abdul Jawad Hamoud Al Jasem, Council Member of the Syrian Federation of Trade Unions and Vice-Chairman of the Oil Workers' Trade Union, said:

"U.S. imperialism is the enemy of both the Korean and Syrian peoples.

"Should the U.S. imperialists launch an aggressive war in Korea once again, the Korean people, who are under arms and have turned the whole country into an impregnable fortress will liberate South Korea and reunify their country.

"Death to the U.S. imperialist aggressors, the stray dogs!"

Foreign delegates doing the sights of Mt. Gumgang

Stamina of Korean People

Australian, Japanese and Finnish Trade Union Delegates Welcomed at Vinalon Factory

Employees of the Bon-gung February 8 Vinalon Factory had a gathering on May 11 in honour of the delegate from the Seamen's Union of Australia, delegation from the General Council of Trade Unions of Japan (Sohyo) and delegate from the Finnish Construction Workers' Trade Union.

Director of the factory **YUN RYON HWAN** made a speech of welcome at the gathering.

E.V. **ELLIOTT**, delegate from the Seamen's Union of Australia, was the next to take the floor.

He said: "In Korea I acquainted myself with the protracted anti-Japanese armed struggle waged under the direct leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung and learned how the Korean people have built their country after the liberation.

"And I have ascertained that the U.S. imperialists provoked the war of aggression in Korea under the U.N. signboard and that the Korean people heroically fought in defence of their country from the aggression of U.S. imperialism.

YOSHIAKI JINBO, leader of the delegation of the Sohyo, said: Factories, villages and cultural establishments we have seen in Korea are excellent. We consider that such remarkable development of Korea, which was reduced to ashes during the war, is a fruit of the correct leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung and the Workers' Party of Korea and the labour of the Korean people."

He stressed that today the Japanese people, while struggling courageously against U.S. imperialism and the Japanese monopoly capitalists, its accomplices, were resolutely fighting against the reactionary steps of the Sato Cabinet to stamp out the democratic, national rights of Korean residents in Japan.

In conclusion, he extended full support to the Korean people in the struggle for driving the U.S. imperialists out of South Korea and achieving an early reunification of their country.

PENNANEN VILYE, delegate from the Finnish Construction Workers' Trade Union, spoke next.

He said: "Looking around the factories in Hamhung area, I once again clearly saw the stamina of the Korean people who, under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, respected and beloved leader are dashing forward at the Chollima (winged horse) speed, relying upon their own strength.

"Your achievements not only increase the might of the socialist camp and further expedite the development of the international revolutionary movement but also help in the struggle of the working people in the capitalist countries."

Cornerstone of Policy

Pyongyang Citizens Welcome Guests from Burundi and Zambia

A meeting of working people welcoming the government delegation of the Burundi Republic and the delegation of Zambia was held at the Moran-bong Theatre in Pyongyang on May 12.

Addressing the meeting, Vice-Chairman **KIM SO'NG RYUL** of the Pyongyang Municipal People's Committee extended friendly salute of the Korean people to the peoples of Burundi and Zambia.

Leader of the Burundi government delegation **MAGETE GEDEON**, Director of the Information Department of the Presidential Secretariat, spoke next.

He said:

In the **"Present Situation and the Tasks of Our Party"** Premier Kim Il Sung pointed out that "the revolution in each country is being carried on by its own people under the leadership of its own Party, and not by a certain international 'centre' or by the Party of any other country." This proposition is the cornerstone of the policy of the Burundi Republic.

Burundi attaches primary importance to the decolonization of Africa. She is filled with the determination to do everything in her power for the victory of the right to self-determination, the right to shape one's own destiny by oneself, in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

Condemning the U.S. imperialists' plots to provoke a new war in Korea, he strongly demanded that the U.S. army and their satellite troops occupying South Korea under the U.N. signboard pull out immediately and unconditionally, taking their weapons.

Leader of the Zambian delegation **MUSA HAMISI BALUKU**, Political Assistant to Minister of State in the central province of Zambia, spoke next.

He conveyed the greetings of the people, President and government of Zambia to the Korean people.

"Everywhere we went, we saw how the spirit of self-reliance has been translated into practice."

Expressing his sincere hope for the early reunification of Korea, he declared: "The Zambian people will never compromise with the imperialists and reactionaries no matter where they may raise their heads and will remain as a member of the anti-imperialist forces."

Foreign delegates inspecting the February 8th Vinalon Factory

Independent State in Politics and Ideology

Pyongyang Pressmen Meet Foreign Journalists

Men of the press in Pyongyang gathered at the Chollima House of Culture on May 10 to welcome Mexican, U.A.R., Tanzanian and Peruvian journalists now visiting Korea.

JON YONG GO'N, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Journalists' Union and Editor-in-Chief of **Minju Joson**, warmly welcomed the foreign journalists.

Then **MARTA SOLIS**, Havana correspondent of Mexican **Siempre**, took the floor.

She said: "I should like to put stress on the words 'all by Koreans themselves!' because the Korean people have set an example for the world's people in building the economy with their own labour and technique."

Expressing the conviction that the aspiration of the Korean people for the reunification of their divided motherland would surely be realised, she warned that those who had surrendered the half of Korea to the U.S. imperialists and were allowing the intrusion of the Japanese militarist forces would pay dearly for their treachery.

"We extend greetings to Premier Kim Il Sung who is leading the people along a correct road of socialism in the spirit of self-reliance," the speaker said.

AHMED TOUGHAN, journalist of **Al Goumhouria**, organ of the Government of the United Arab Republic, spoke next.

Saying that the Korean people were striving for the defence of their country and the creation of a happy life, he stressed: "Great leader Premier Kim Il Sung called for fostering more than anything else the spirit of ardently loving the country and people and the spirit of self-sacrificing fight for the freedom of the country and the happiness of the people."

Dwelling on the friendly relations between the Korean and U.A.R. peoples, he recalled that during the Korean war the U.A.R. people stood on the side of the courageous Korean people, opposing the scheme of the then monarchist regime to send Egyptian troops to Korea.

OTINI KAMBONA, Chief Editor of Tanzanian daily **Ulimwengu**, told the meeting.

"What you showed me during my visit to your country proves beyond doubt that you are a great nation, you are well prepared to face any aggressive imperialist army which may try any time to threaten your freedom," he stressed. And he continued:

"I have no doubt at all that under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, one day the South Korean people will see the light of the great torch of the Premier who has ever shown good attention to building up one nation and one people of Korea free from outside imperialist influence."

CORLOS TORRE FLORES, correspondent of the Peruvian **Revista de Latina America** in Europe, spoke next.

He said:

"Premier Kim Il Sung has scientifically applied Marxism-Leninism to the reality of Korea.

"The Korean people can proudly call their country an independent state in the literal sense of the words. Korea is an independent state in the economy and, accordingly, an independent state in politics and ideology.

"This is the very great lesson we have learned in Korea and this inspires our struggle for liberation."

Most Valuable Experience

Pyongyang Women Welcome Delegate of WIDF

At the gathering held in Pyongyang on May 8 in honour of delegate of the Women's International Democratic Federation **Mme. NARCELLE CORSAWANT** said:

"I have gained most valuable experience through my current visit to Korea.

"By your practical struggle, you have clearly shown to the world's people that a people confidently advancing towards a clear-cut and high goal under the correct leadership of their Party and leader will surely create a happy and just life.

"You have built a modern economic foundation with your own efforts, will and hands. Indeed, you took ten steps when others took one."

Saying that she saw for herself that the Korean women were giving full play to their wisdom and talents in all fields of the national economy on an equal footing with men, she went on: "I was particularly impressed by the splendid working conditions for women.

"I was surprised by the enforcement of the universal nine-year compulsory technical education in your country. With this your country has become a most advanced country in popular education."

She declared in conclusion: "It is your legitimate right to drive the U.S. imperialists out of South Korea and reunify your country by yourselves free from any outside interference. Your fruitful efforts are bringing earlier that day when South Korea will be liberated and your country reunified."

Firm Solidarity

Meeting in Honour of the Ceylonese Guests

A meeting of members of the Korean-Ceylonese Friendship Society was held at the Moran-bong Theatre on May 9 under the joint sponsorship of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries and the Korean-Ceylonese Friendship Society in honour of the visiting delegation of the Ceylonese-Korean Friendship Society. At the meeting **SOH CHO'L**, Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, said: "The peoples of Korea and Ceylon support and co-operate with each other in the common struggle against imperialism and colonialism and for the consolidation of their national independence and for peace in Asia and they are closely linked with each other through this struggle."

R.D. BANDARANAIKE, head of the delegation of the Ceylonese-Korean Friendship Society, then spoke.

In the name of the progressive people in Ceylon, he expressed firm solidarity with the Korean people who, under the wise leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, were fighting for the reunification of their country and the final defeat of imperialism.

He said:

"The Korean people were the first to demonstrate that a people are invincible when they are united with a firm determination to achieve independence and liberation; they were the first to prove that no matter how many weapons the imperialists may have, they are doomed to ruin.

"We Ceylonese people regard the struggle of the Korean people as our own. We should not allow any small part of our Asian continent to fall a prey to the U.S. imperialists."

"The Ceylonese people are greatly inspired by the brilliant successes the Korean people have scored in the fields of industry and agriculture under the wise leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung."

Principled Stand

Japanese and Cyprian Trade Union Delegations Welcomed

A meeting was held at the Chollima (winged horse) Dae-an Electric Machinery Plant on May 12 in honour of the delegations from the Construction Workers' Trade Union of Japan and the Pan-Cyprian Federation of Labour.

KAKUO HONJO, delegate from the Construction Workers' Trade Union of Japan, said: "The struggle of the Koreah people for stepping up economic construction in parallel with defence buildup in view of the obtaining situation greatly inspires the struggles of the South Korean people and it is a guarantee for the independent reunification of Korea. It is also an inspiration to the Japanese people in their struggle and a guarantee for peace in Asia.

"We should resolutely frustrate the aggressive policies of the reactionary forces in the United States, Japan and South Korea."

DIOMIDES HADJICHRISTO, delegate from the Pan-Cyprian Federation of Labour, said: "The Korean people are a people with an indomitable fighting spirit who have inherited the brilliant traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle waged by the Korean Communists headed by Premier Kim Il Sung and a people who are developing the economy and culture with might and main.

"No one can break the strength of such a people.

"I have seen that you are united closely behind the leadership of the Workers' Party and Premier Kim Il Sung, your respected and beloved leader and a hero.

"Premier Kim Il Sung is a great, outstanding leader who is holding fast to the principled stand of Marxism-Leninism not only for the Korean revolution but also for world revolution.

"The U.S. imperialist aggressors, the source of all misfortunes and sufferings of the people in South Korea, must quit there at once."

Foreign guests cruising on Lake Sonil-po in a pleasure boat

I Resolved to Fight Against Yankee Imperialists

INTERVIEW WITH FORMER S. KOREAN SERGEANT FROM SOUTH VIETNAM

Bak So'ng Ryol, former leader of the 5th Squad, 3rd Platoon, 8th Company, 2nd Battalion, 1st Regiment of the "Tiger Unit," who had been to the shambles of South Vietnam and returned on April 28 to the motherland—the Democratic People's Republic of Korea—said in his press interview:

"Through my experience in South Vietnam, I came to know that I had been sold like a slave as a U.S. bullet shield. I could not suffer this any longer.

"I made up my mind to come over to my longed-for motherland under the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung respected by the 40 million Korean people. I resolved to fight against the Yankee imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi clique."

Immortal Revolutionary Traditions

Laotian Guests Welcomed by Pyongyang Weavers

The employees of the Combined Pyongyang Textile Mill held a meeting on May 12 in honour of the delegation of the Laotian Committee of Trade Union Founding Movement under the Neo Lao Haksat, which visited their mill.

Director GANG JAE WON of the Mill made a speech of welcome.

XOM LAT, head of the Laotian delegation, spoke next.

Saying that he saw the immortal revolutionary traditions of the anti-Japanese armed struggle led by Comrade Kim Il Sung had been correctly inherited and developed in socialist construction of Korea and in the anti-imperialist struggle of the Korean people, he declared: "We are particularly impressed by the great upsurge brought about by the working people who have risen up like one man under the motto: 'Let us meet the great revolutionary event with full preparations!'" He said that he was moved by the fact that the Korean people of all walks of life consider the struggle of the Laotian people as their own struggle and actively support it.

He met reporters in the capital on May 4.

Exposing the scheme of the Yankee imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi gang to have impelled South Korean youths toward the war in South Vietnam to serve as bullet-shields for the Yankees, he remarked:

"The Yankee imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi clique appeasingly say: 'There is no worry about death in South Vietnam because there are strong U.S. troops' and 'If you go to South Vietnam, you can make a fortune. Why do you lose this golden opportunity?' And they mercilessly suppress if there is any sign of opposition.

"My two colleagues were cudgelled by officers for thirty minutes in front of the whole company and imprisoned in a swoon. The offence was that they had opposed their dispatch to South Vietnam.

"When battles broke out, the Yankees drove the South Korean puppet troops to the foreground. Thus in the Ban Ke area alone, more than 400 troops of the 'Tiger Unit' were annihilated at the close of last year. The death toll of the South Korean troops in South Vietnam exceeds more than 10,000 up to now.

"Not only that, the South Korean troops are subjected to unbearable national humiliation and maltreatment.

"The Yankees are openly saying that scanty dollars are enough to handle the South Korean army."

He went on:

"It was a real surprise to see here the modernly-built cities and villages and the joyous life of the people who live with no worry about food, clothing and housing.

"When I saw tractors tilling fields, my mind turned to my village where over 100 farm households did farming with only six oxen.

"I wondered why the fates of the compatriots were so contrary to each other."

Saying that his excitement and emotion reached the climax when he watched May Day celebrations, he went on:

"In the crowds giving cheers to Marshal Kim Il Sung, I saw the inexhaustible power of our people who are closely rallied behind him with one mind and will.

"And when I saw the Red Worker-Peasant Militia marching in fine array I could imagine the strong might of the Korean People's Army, the regular army, and I felt confident in our strength.

"The parade showed that the people here did not forget even a moment the brothers in South Korea and strove with all their might to relieve them from the misrule of the U.S. imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi clique at the earliest date.

"I am sure that the day will come when the 40 million Korean people, under the wise leadership of Marshal Kim Il Sung, our respected and beloved leader, will drive out the U.S. imperialists and lead a happy life in a unified country."

Guarantee for Great Event

Palestinian and Aden Guests Welcomed

The employees of the Ryongsong Machine Plant held a meeting on May 11 in honour of the trade union delegates from Palestine and Aden.

Invited to the meeting were Said Khamra, Assistant General Secretary of the Federation of the Unions of Palestine Workers, and Abdula Ahmed Ismail, General Auditor of the Aden Trade Union Congress.

KIM BYONG HAN, director of the plant, spoke at the meeting, warmly welcoming the guests.

Palestinian delegate SAID KHAMRA then addressed the gathering.

Vehemently condemning the moves of the U.S. imperialists to provoke a new war in Korea, he declared that the Palestinian people would always stand by the Korean people who are heroically fighting for the reunification of the country.

"Korea's reunification should be achieved by the Korean people themselves free from any foreign interference," he emphasized.

He scathingly denounced the Japanese imperialists' reinvasion of South Korea.

Then the delegate of the Aden Trade Union Congress ABDULA AHMED ISMAIL took the floor.

He said:

"Today, the struggle of the peoples of Palestine, Aden, Vietnam and Korea holds an especially important place in the struggle against imperialism and colonialism.

"I believe that all the successes made by the great Korean people are a guarantee for the great event of expelling U.S. imperialism and reunifying the country."

Full Preparations

U.A.R. Delegation Welcomed at Ryongsong Machine Plant

A meeting welcoming the delegation of the Federation of Labour of the United Arab Republic was held at the Ryongsong Machine Plant in Hamhung on May 10.

KIM BYONG HAN, director of the plant, addressed the meeting warmly welcoming the U.A.R. guests.

At the gathering, MAHMOUD MOWAFI, leader of the delegation, said:

"The great Korean people under the wise leadership of Marshal Kim Il Sung, a hero, wrought miracles both in war and in peaceful construction.

"All the successes of the Korean people are fruits of self-reliance they uphold.

"We also witnessed that the Korean people rallied firmly behind the Party and the Leader have made full preparations, political, economic and military, to crush the U.S. imperialists' aggression at any time. If the U.S. imperialists unleash a war they will suffer a greater defeat than they did in the past war."

Referring to the positive support of the Korean people to the struggle of the U.A.R. people against imperialism, colonialism and Zionism, he said that the U.A.R. people were grateful for this and would always remember it.

He stressed:

"The governments and peoples of the liberated Arab countries fully support the struggle of the Korean people to overthrow U.S. imperialism and Pak Jung Hi clique, its stooges, liberate South Korea and achieve the complete reunification of the country as a homogeneous nation."

Common Struggle against Imperialism

Pyongyang Weavers Welcome Latin American and Mauritanian Trade Union Delegates

Trade union delegates from Colombia, Mexico, Uruguay and Mauritania were welcomed on May 8 at a meeting of workers of the Combined Pyongyang Textile Mill.

Addressing the meeting, the COLOMBIAN DELEGATE introduced the successes won by the Colombian guerrillas in the struggle for liberating their country from the clutches of the Yankee imperialists.

He said:

"The priceless successes made by Korea in socialist construction by her own efforts, are a precious example for us.

"The Colombian people are convinced that the Korean people will surely expel the Yankee aggressors from South Korea, liberate their brothers and unify their country. The Colombian workers will always stand by the Korean people and support this struggle in every way."

FORTUNATO LEYVA ACOSTA, delegate of the Federation of Workers and Peasants of Mexico, said he saw the workers of the Mill working with great zeal, upholding the correct leadership of the Workers' Party and Premier Kim Il Sung, the great leader of the Korean people, and waging a movement for assisting the fighting Vietnamese people.

The working people affiliated with the Federation of Workers and Peasants of Mexico will always be with you in your struggle for the freedom and reunification of your beloved fatherland and will advance shoulder to shoulder with you in the struggle for the final overthrow of Yankee imperialism, our common enemy.

MILTON MONTEMAR, delegate from the Uruguayan Workers' Centre, said:

The world's working people should manifest their militant solidarity with the Korean people in the struggle for expelling the U.S. imperialists and unifying their country and wage a common struggle against imperialism. They should fight in unity to drive the U.S. imperialists out of Vietnam and end the war there, defend the Cuban revolution and win the complete victory of the world revolution. The working class of our country will unite firm with the world's working class and wage a more relentless struggle to wipe the U.S. imperialists, the common enemy, off the globe and achieve our revolutionary aim.

The Korean working people, SOW MOUSSA DEMBA, delegate from the Union of Workers of Mauritania, said, are leaping ahead at the call of Premier Kim Il Sung, their respected and beloved leader. Their confidence is unshakable. They are preparing for the reunification of their country and an early relief of their compatriots in the South. The U.S. imperialists can by no means stem the wave of struggle for reunification surging in Korea.

Reunification of Korea—All Peoples' Struggle

IOJ Delegation Welcomed

MARCO TULIO RODRIGUEZ, delegate of the International Organization of Journalists, declared that the 130,000 journalists of 108 countries would positively support the firm determination of the Korean people not to hand down their divided country to their younger generation and the stand of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to drive the U.S. imperialists out of South Korea and achieve the country's reunification by the Korean people themselves.

He addressed a friendly gathering with men of the press in Pyongyang on May 8.

He held that the struggle of the Korean people for the country's reunification should not be confined to the Korean people but be turned into a struggle of all peoples and public figures who aspire after a happy future of mankind.

He went on:

"Spending a few days together with Korean journalists and workers who are faithful to proletarian internationalism and equipped with the spirit of ardent patriotism under the correct leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader, I have felt a pride and urge to say and write about the revolutionary history of the Korean people."

Addressing the gathering, GANG SANG WI, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Journalists' Union, warmly welcomed Marco Tulio Rodriguez.

We Should Strengthen Joint Action

Pyongyang Citizens Welcome Congolese (B) Delegation

Working people in Pyongyang gathered at the Moran-bong Theatre on May 10 to welcome the visiting delegation of the Congo (B).

At the meeting, **KIM WAL RYONG**, Chairman of the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity and Chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions, made a speech of welcome.

Then **GABRIEL OBONGUI**, leader of the Congo (B) delegation, spoke.

Saying that his delegation had learned many things through its current visit to Korea, he extended warm salute to the Workers' Party of Korea guided by Premier Kim Il Sung who won two great historic victories in the struggle against Japanese militarism and U.S. imperialism and is today correctly leading the Korean people in all fields of socialist construction.

He remarked:

"The Congolese (B) delegation resolutely denounces the provocative machinations of the U.S. imperialists against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

"The Korean people have turned the D.P.R.K. into an impregnable fortress. If the U.S. imperialists provoke a new war, they will meet a total defeat.

"The U.S. imperialists must withdraw their troops from South Korea, and the reunification of Korea should be achieved by the Korean people themselves free from outside interference."

Leading to Victory

Guests from Nigeria and Guiana Welcomed

The delegate from the Nigerian Forestry and Taungya Farmers' Association and the delegate from the Guianan Agricultural Workers' Union called at the Sambong Co-op Farm, Pyong-won County, South Pyong-an Province on May 12.

The farmers there gathered for a meeting in honour of the guests.

The delegate from the Nigerian Forestry and Taungya Farmers' Association **IZE AYE-OMOREGIE**, Secretary-General of its Central Executive Council and Chairman of the Nigeria-Korea Friendship Society, spoke at the gathering.

He said: "I have clearly seen that the Korean people are rallied closely behind Premier Kim Il Sung, a great Marxist-Leninist and great leader, dynamic, fearless and heroic, who has always led and is leading them to victory in the past anti-Japanese armed struggle, during the Patriotic War of Liberation in the struggle for the complete reunification of Korea and in building an independent national economy.

Self-Reliance— This Is also Our Slogan

Tanzanian Guests Welcomed

A meeting welcoming Tanzanian guests was held at the Chollima House of Culture on May 8 under the joint sponsorship of the Pyongyang Municipal People's Committee, the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity and the Korean-African Friendship Society.

Addressing the meeting **JON BYONG CHO'L**, Vice-Chairman of the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity and Vice-Chairman of the Korean Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, made a speech of welcome.

Leader of the Tanzanian delegation, **FREDERICK RUTAYAMIRWA** spoke next. He said that he was deeply impressed by the highspirited people and beautiful towns of Korea and by her advance in social-economic construction.

"What the Korean people have already done must be done also by the Tanzanian people," he emphasized. He continued: "The history of Korea is a history of justice. With their indomitable will the Korean people will eventually overpower injustice."

He said: "The stand of the Workers' Party of Korea and the leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung for achieving self-reliance have brought into being the Democratic People's Republic of Korea we see today, which is a pride to the Korean people and to us, their friends. This is what the Tanzanian people are striving to achieve under the leadership of President Nyerere.

Freedom Should Be Won

South Yemen and Zimbabwe guests Welcomed at Rally

Pyongyang citizens held on May 12 a gathering in honour of the delegates from the Front for the Liberation of South Yemen, and Zimbabwe on a visit to our country.

Vice-Chairman of the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity **JON BYONG CHO'L** made a speech of welcome.

EDWARD F. NDLOYU, delegate of Zimbabwe, said:

"The struggle of the Zimbabwe people is part of the African revolution and a struggle for crushing the fortress of the imperialists in South Africa in particular.

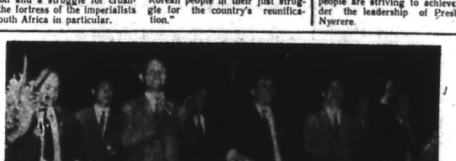
"You are fortunate to have such a great Leader as Premier Kim Il Sung. You beat the Japanese imperialists and then repulsed the U.S. imperialist aggressors under his leadership.

"Your revolution shows that freedom should not be begged for, but be won."

MUHAMED ABDULA MUHAMED HUBESHI, Assistant General Secretary of the Front for the Liberation of South Yemen, took the floor. He said:

"We are going to take the achievements of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in socialist economic construction as a model after our country wins Independence.

"The Front for the Liberation of South Yemen actively supports the Korean people in their just struggle for the country's reunification."



National Prosperity

Algerian, Syrian and Moroccan Trade Union Delegates Welcomed

A gathering welcoming the visiting trade union delegates from Algeria, Syria and Morocco was held at the Pyongyang Electric Locomotive Factory on May 12.

At the gathering **AHMED BEN MENGOUDA**, delegate from the Algerian General Union of Workers, said:

"The spirit of Chollima (winged horse) and idea of *Juche* (self-identity) are flowering everywhere—on the stage, in the streets, at stadiums, in factories, villages, nurseries and kindergartens, etc. The Korean people who are working miracles in bringing about their national prosperity will accomplish the cause of their country's reunification in the not distant future. Ever victorious are the Korean people who place immense trust in their leader and are advancing along the road indicated by him.

ABDUL JAWAD HAMOUD AL JASSEM, delegate from the Syrian Federation of Trade Unions, spoke next.

Saying that the Syrian and Korean peoples were brothers and comrades-in-arms standing on the common front against imperialism and colonialism, U.S. imperialism in particular, he continued: "In Korea I could clearly see what underlies the unity of the Korean people rallied like one man behind their leader Premier Kim Il Sung.

"The basic obstacle to Kore's reunification is the occupation of South Korea by U.S. imperialism.

"The U.S. imperialists should quit South Korea at once and the Korean question be solved by the Korean people themselves."

EL KHAMLOUSSY ABDEL KADER, delegate from the Moroccan Federation of Labour, said: "We always closely follow the successes made by the Korean people and working class under the leadership of the Party led by Premier Kim Il Sung.

"The historical lessons of the Korean people who routed the Japanese and then the U.S. imperialists inspire the struggle of the Asian, African and Latin-American peoples and further strengthen their friendship."

Patriotic Spirit, Determined Will

Guests from Portuguese Guinea, Mozambique and Angola Welcomed

Working people in Pyongyang gathered at the Chollima House of Culture on May 7 to welcome the visiting delegation of the African Independence Party of Portuguese Guinea and Cape Verde Islands and delegates of the Mozambique Liberation Front and the Angolan Liberation Movement.

BAK CHOL BOK, Vice-Chairman of the Korean Committee for Asian African Solidarity, made a speech of welcome.

At the meeting, **VASCO CABRAL**, head of the delegation of the African Independence Party of Portuguese Guinea and Cape Verde Islands, said that he was deeply moved by the patriotic spirit and the determined will of the Korean people to overcome any difficulty and by their deep trust in the Workers' Party of Korea headed by Premier Kim Il Sung, its tested leader and fighter.

PASCOAL MOCUMBI, delegate

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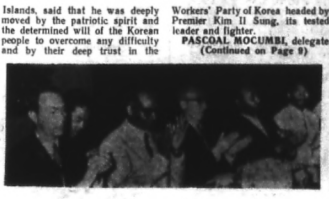

Identity of Stand

Korean-Cuban Trade Unions Issue Joint Statement

The Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea and the Central Union of Workers of Cuba published a joint statement in Pyongyang on May 9.

The joint statement declares that the two sides reached a full agreement on further consolidating and developing their comradely relations, exchanging experiences and strengthening mutual support and solidarity.

It says:

The delegation of the Central Union of Workers of Cuba hails the enormous successes made by the Korean working class and people in all spheres of socialist construction — economy, national defence, culture and sports — under the wise leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea and Comrade Kim Il Sung, like achievements of its own and the entire socialist camp.

Considering that the occupation of South Korea by the U.S. imperialists is the chief obstacle to the reunification of Korea, the delegation of the Central Union of Workers expresses undivided support to the righteous struggle of the Korean working class and people for expelling the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops from South Korea and achieving an independent reunification of their country.

The Cuban and Korean trade union centres denounce the Japanese militarists' schemes to invade South Korea again.

The statement continues:

The Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea warmly congratulates the Cuban working class and people on the gigantic advance and achievements they have made since the liberation in the construction of a new society, converting their country into the first land of freedom in Latin America, under the correct leadership of the Communist Party headed by Comrade Fidel Castro.

The Central Committee expresses warm support and firm solidarity with the heroic Cuban people who are defending their revolutionary gains and successfully promoting socialist construction, courageously repulsing the ceaseless aggressions and provocations of the Yankee imperialists.

Expressing firm solidarity with fraternal Vietnamese people who are fighting heroically against U.S. imperialist aggression, the joint statement says:

The two sides strongly demand that the U.S. imperialist aggressors stop unconditionally and finally bombing raids and all other acts of war against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and quit South Vietnam at once with all their aggressive forces, satellite and puppet troops as well as all their lethal weapons.

The two sides reached agreement on deleveoping solidarity on a wider scale with the anti-imperialist, national-liberation struggle of the Asian, African and Latin-American peoples—the peoples of Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Venezuela, Guatemala, Colombia, Bolivia, Angola, Mozambique, Portuguese Guinea, Palestine, South Yemen, etc.

Yankee Aggressor Army, Withdraw from South Korea at Once!

DELEGATES FROM LATIN AMERICA ISSUE STATEMENT

The delegates from Latin-American countries on a visit to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea issued in Pyongyang on May 9 "a statement expressing solidarity with the Korean people fighting against the threat of aggression by the Yankee imperialists."

Below we print a gist of the statement.

We Latin-American delegates who had come to the D.P.R.K. to attend the May Day celebrations looked round various parts here. We also visited Panmunjom on the Military Demarcation Line that artificially divides Korea into North and South.

There we saw with our own eyes the ferocious and impudent faces of Yankee soldiers.

Since Johnson's visit to Seoul under their occupation, the Yankee imperialists have been carrying on incessant acts of military provocation which constitute part of their new aggression against the peaceable and diligent Korean people.

We could feel that such provocations only further aroused the patriotism and revolutionary enthusiasm of the organized and industrious Korean people.

We warmly congratulate the Korean people on the brilliant achievements they have made in socialist construction and in the struggle for increasing the power of their country, under the wise leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung, their great leader, and behind whom they are firmly rallied.

We could see how the Korean people were making preparations for sweeping the Yankee imperialist aggressors, should they dare to put into practice their new criminal plan for invading Korea, for driving them out of the Korean territory and liberating South Korea under their occupation, and for realizing the country's reunification.

We fully support the just position of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea that Korea should be reunified by the Korean people themselves free from any foreign interference. We strongly demand that the Yankee imperialist aggressor army be withdrawn from South Korea at once and the "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea" be dissolved without delay.

The Yankee imperialists are daily expanding their criminal war against the heroic Vietnamese people. They have revived Japanese militarism and are engaged in provocation and aggression against the peoples of Laos and Cambodia. And, as part of their strategy for the domination of Asia and the world, they are preparing for another aggression against the Korean people.

The delegates who signed this statement condemn, before the peoples of Latin America and the rest of the world, the Yankee imperialists for their provocations and aggressive plans.

We call upon the working people and fighters opposing imperialism and neo-colonialism to maintain high vigilance, lash at their atrocities and provocations, fight more resolutely to overthrow their lackeys, and express solidarity with the Korean people more extensively and resolutely.

We are convinced that the united struggle of all peoples will drive the imperialist aggressors to their final doom.

The statement was signed by: **Ursinio Rojas** and **Jacinto Vlamontes**, of the delegation of the Central Union of Workers of Cuba;

Bernardo Araya, delegate of the Executive Secretariat of the Solidarity Organization of the Peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America;

Karros Sori, delegate of the Federation of the Independence Trade Union of Colombia;

Sesar Emilio Sosa and **Hakov Kavvelas**, members of Political Committee of the Central Committee of the Dominican People's Movement;

Gabriel Sallasar, leading member of the Guatemalan Workers' Party and leader of the Uprising Armed Forces;

Milton Montemar, delegate of the Uruguayan Workers' Centre, and **Oscar Cabrora**, Uruguayan delegate to the Organizing Committee for the Conference of the Latin-American People's Solidarity;

Fortunato Leyva Acosta, delegate of the Mexican Federation of Workers and Peasants Unions;

Elias Manuitt, Chairman of the Venezuelan National Liberation Front and a delegate of Guiana

At the Poster Exhibition

A poster exhibition was recently opened at the Korean National Art Museum in Pyongyang.

The poster "Long live the militant friendship and solidarity" calls for the militant friendship and solidarity of the fighting peoples of the three continents.

Delegate of Mozambique Liberation Front Issues Statement

Prior to his departure for home, Pascoal Mocumbi, delegate of the Mozambique Liberation Front and member of its Central Committee, issued a statement on May 10.

Noting that he was accorded warm welcome in Korea and the Korean leaders heeded Mozambican affairs with sympathy and comprehension, he said in his statement:

"This proves that the Korean people are concerned with the cause of the Mozambican people fighting for their liberation.

"In the name of the Mozambican people and the Mozambique Liberation Front, I express thanks to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for its support to our struggle for national liberation.

"While visiting the D.P.R.K. I acquainted myself much with the Korean revolution.

"The Mozambican people who are fighting under the guidance of the Mozambique Liberation Front consider the national liberation as a stage of the struggle for progress and well-being of the people.

"I, therefore, showed particular interest in the efforts of the Korean people to carry out the tasks of construction: the economy, national education and self-defence.

"The miraculous successes scored by the Korean people in socialist construction greatly encourage the Mozambican people and are

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Korea's Reunification Question Should Be Solved by Korean People Themselves

JOINT STATEMENT OF GFTUK AND TRADE UNIONS OF ARAB COUNTRIES

A joint statement of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea and trade unions of Arab countries was published in Pyongyang on May 12.

Follows the gist of the statement:

The federations of Arab trade unions warmly hail the brilliant successes made by the Korean people in socialist construction under the wise leadership of Premier Kim Il Sung.

The Arab side resolutely denounces the U.S. imperialists who are trying to provoke a new aggressive war in Korea, incessantly perpetrating grave acts of military provocation of late along the Military Demarcation Line against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Considering that the basic obstacle to the reunification of Korea is the occupation of South Korea by U.S. imperialism, the Arab side holds that the U.S. troops should pull out of South Korea at once and the question of Korea's reunification be solved by the Korean people themselves free from any outside interference.

The Arab side condemns U.S. imperialism for using the U.N. as a tool for its aggression in Korea and holds that the U.N. should withdraw from South Korea the U.S. army which is occupying it under the signboard of "U.N. forces" and dissolve without delay the "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea."

The Arab side resolutely supports the Korean people in their just struggle for the reunification of their country by expelling the U.S. imperialist aggressors.

The Arab side strongly denounces the schemes of the Japanese militarists who are stretching their tentacles of aggression to South Korea under the patronage of U.S. imperialism.

The Korean and Arab sides resolutely condemn the Pak Jung Hi clique of South Korea, faithful stooges of U.S. imperialism and stranglers of the national-liberation movement, who are sending puppet mercenary troops to the aggressive war in South Vietnam and perpetrating, in league with the aggressive, colonialist Zionist movement, hostile acts against the Arab peoples.

The Korean and Arab sides express full support to and firm solidarity with the heroic Vietnamese people in their just struggle against U.S. imperialist aggression in defence of freedom and independence, and vehemently condemn the U.S. imperialist manoeuvres to escalate the war to destroy Vietnam.

Both sides consider that the Vietnamese question should be solved in accordance with the four-point demand of the government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the five-point programme of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation, the sole and genuine representative of the South Vietnamese people.

Both sides strongly demand that the U.S. imperialists stop unconditionally and definitely bombing and all other acts of war against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and pull out of South Vietnam at once, taking all the troops of the U.S. and its satellite countries.

The Korean side resolutely and strongly supports the struggle of the Palestinian workers and people for liberating Palestine and returning to their motherland and for the right to self-determination.

The Korean side supports the Palestinian Liberation Organization and Liberation Army and the work of the Arab and Palestinian fighters in their occupied territory.

The Korean side condemns the existence of Israel in this region.

The Korean side affirms that the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea, as a member of the International Committee for Solidarity with the Palestinian Workers and People, will contribute to discharging its duty.

The Korean side expresses unqualified support to the struggle of the Aden workers and people for smashing the machinations of the colonialists and their lackeys and for their right to self-determination and condemns all sorts of sinister moves of the colonialist authorities.

The Korean side declares that the "Front for the Liberation of Occupied South Yemen" has the right to represent the Aden-Arab people and that any other front posing as the representative of the Aden people is the stooge and tool of the colonialists defending the colonial interests in this area.

The Korean side fully supports the Syrian-Arab people who are fighting against the colonialist intrigues hatched by world imperialism in conspiracy with Israel and their reactionary allies in this area.

The Korean side supports the resolute, bold stand of the Revolutionary Government of Syria against the oil monopolies.

The Korean side supports the Yemeni revolution and condemns the interference of the colonialists and their lackeys against the Yemeni revolution and the Yemeni-Arab people.

The Korean side also supports the Yemeni Arab Republic fighting against Arab reactionaries, colonialism and world imperialism.

The Korean and Arab sides are convinced of the final victory of the Angolan, Mozambique and Portuguese Guinean peoples and of the inevitability of the liquidation of colonialism of all forms.

The two sides declare that they extend support and encouragement to the progressive and revolutionary forces and to the Asian, African and Latin-American peoples fighting for liberation.

The joint statement was signed by **Gang Tae Ho** of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea, **Abdul Rahaa** of the International Confederation of Arab Trade Unions, **Mahmoud Mowafi** of the Federation of Labour of the United Arab Republic, **Abdul Jawad Hamoud El Jassem** of the Syrian Federation of Trade Unions, **Said Khamra** of the Federation of the Unions of Palestine Workers, **El Khamlioussy Abdelkader** of the Moroccan Federation of Labour, **Abdula Ahmed Ismail** of the Aden Trade Union Congress, and **Ahmed Ben Mengouda** of the Algerian General Union of Workers.

AT HAMHUNG

WILFRED BURCHETT

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In this issue we print the second article by Wilfred Burchett. This article describes what he saw at Hamhung, Korea's big industrial centre in the east coast, which he visited some time ago. — Ed.

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During the war years, I did not visit Hamhung or any other parts of the eastern coastline. The basks at Kaesong-Panmunjom were always too pressing. But we used to grit our teeth as rage when listening to the "UN" Command communiques and their almost daily reference to the bombing and shelling of Hamhung and Wonsan. It was clear that these towns and the villages that surrounded them were being used as target practice for American planes and warships long after anything that could conceivably be described as a "military target" had been destroyed. Anything that lived or moved or supported life, was in fact a "military target" for the Americans. The fact that all this was done in the name of the "United Nations" is sufficient to disqualify that organization for all time from any form of intervention in Korean affairs.

BOMBINGS

Visiting the Chemical Fertiliser Combine at Hamhung, I found that systematic bombings had started on July 11, 1950, two weeks after the first attacks by the Syngman Rhee puppets across the 38th parallel. From that day until the ceasefire agreements were signed three years later, 36,000 bombs and shells were hurled against the fertiliser plant, leaving it a mass of twisted girders, rubble and ruins. Such systematic, total destruction of a plant solely devoted to increasing food production went far beyond military aims. This was part and parcel of imperialism's general policy of suppression of industry in newly independent countries. "Where you cannot suppress, smash" might well have been the slogan. The destruction of the Hamhung factories was in line with the suppression by American authorities in Seoul of Dr. Ri Sung Gi's discovery of vynalon synthetic fibre.

Neo-colonialism like old-style imperialism does not easily tolerate having its markets reduced by national industries, especially those in which its own capital has no chance to penetrate. It is noteworthy that during World War II, when the Japanese owned the Hamhung fertiliser plant, shipping the entire output back to Japan, the Americans did not bomb the plant during nearly four years of war with Japan. But in the hands of socialist, democratic people's Korea, it was attacked within three weeks of the outbreak of hostilities. The same with all other factories, just as American bombers are now destroying every plant their bombers can reach in the DRV, with textile and consumer goods industries on the top priority list.

SECRETS

The incredible thing about Hamhung, however, is the speed with which everything has been rebuilt, far bigger, far better, far more beautiful than before. The amazingly rapid development of new factories—like the February 8 Vynalon Factory—which never existed before—and the expansion of such plants as the Fertiliser Combine and the Machine-building Plant, is something which I think no other country can match. When one learns that the Machine-building Plant was rebuilt in only 18 months and the Fertiliser Combine in two years, then one can only raise one's cap in homage to the Korean workers and technicians and to the leadership of the Korean Workers' Party which inspired them; which mobilized, organized and guided their energies and talents. At the Fertiliser Combine, I heard that Premier Kim Il Sung came no less than 22 times during the construction and subsequent development of this huge enterprise; that he had made on-the-spot visits 8 times to the Machine-building Plant and 5 times to the Vynalon Factory, apart from his personal visits to Dr. Ri Sung Gi in the latter's laboratory and subsequent pilot plant at Chongsu.

At the three Hamhung plants which I visited, the managers of all three said that developments at their factories were inseparable from the guidance and attention given by Premier Kim Il Sung. It is clear that this personal interest, right down to technical details, by Premier Kim is one of the secrets of the speed with which these vast projects were built and put into operation. Another of the secrets I believe lies in the fact that the directors and leading cadres at the factories I visited were invariably former workers of those same factories who had risen from the ranks and who clearly had the absolute confidence of their fellow workers. (An exception must be made for the manager of the Vynalon factory which was only born six years ago. In his case it was interesting that during the Patriotic War of Liberation, he was kept at the University to study Chemical Engineering with a view to the future development of this branch of industry. Even at the height of the life and death struggle for survival, the Korean leadership preserved and educated cadres for the future tasks of national reconstruction.)

Dr. RI'S ACCOUNT

I was enthralled by Dr. Ri Sung Gi's account of how for five years he had to obtain visas in Seoul to continue research into the industrialisation of vynalon and of how he was frustrated at every turn by the Americans. What a picture it all revealed! First of all the puppet authorities could decide nothing themselves and could only advise him to seek American help. "I could not get even a lump of carbide to continue research," Dr. Ri told me. As for the Americans at first they made big promises, then smaller promises and eventually nothing at all came from their big or small promises. But when Dr. Ri came North, facilities were speedily put at his disposal. Even at the very height of the war, Premier Kim Il Sung personally saw to it that Dr. Ri could buy abroad the necessary laboratory equipment and chemical reagents. And Premier Kim Il Sung personally came to Chongsu where experiments were went on and where finally a pilot plant was built and vynalon thread was produced experimentally. The huge plant which now produces enough fibre to give every man, woman and child in the D.P.R.K. two suits a year is the magnificent result of all this; a most brilliant confirmation of the correctness of the guiding lines for building a national economy based on Korea's own national resources and the energies and talents of Korean workers and technicians.

It was interesting to learn at the Machine-building Plant that many workers and technicians were women. In the West, it is rather unusual to find women working in this type of heavy industry. But they looked very much at home, bent over lathes, checking control gauges, driving overhead cranes. The babies and kiddies of many of them, I also saw in the gay, spotlessly clean nurseries and kindergartens. After having visited several such nurseries at the factories and at the Red Star cooperative farm outside Hamhung city, I have come to the conclusion that Korean babies and toddlers are the fattest and have the rosiest cheeks of any I have ever seen. "They are our future. We must care for them well," said the manager of the Fertiliser Combine when I remarked on the splendid appearance of the children.

CHAIRWOMAN

At the Red Star farm, our group of journalists was received by Han Thi Bang Nyo, a remarkable woman, a Labour Heroine, member of Parliament and chairwoman of the farm for the past 14 years, a woman whose face and whole bearing reflect courage, steadfastness, serenity, dignity. Her husband, father-in-law and daughter were killed by U.S. troops, she herself was imprisoned and tortured because of her activities in supporting the war front. Like the factory managers, she grew up with the people she now directs as farm manager. In simple words she recounted the story of the farm, land reform in 1946, the war and complete destruction of the village which now form the 483 hectare farm. The decision by 30 families whose menfolk had been killed in the war to form the first cooperative in 1954, the formation of others leading to the fusion of the five existing in July, 1956 into one big cooperative farm in which all 400 peasant households were united.

She told of how life had changed for the better now the farm was 100 percent irrigated and 100 percent electrified; how grain crops had been doubled to reach 4.1 to 4.3 tons per hectare through irrigation and intensive use of manure and fertiliser. From a hill overlooking the neat peasant cottages, surrounded by blossoming apple trees, Mrs. Han Hu Bang Nyo pointed out the electric-powered rice-husking plant, the sheds for silkworms and those for the livestock. The farm extended across a valley to folds of blue hills; the voices of children singing in the kindergarten floated up from the village. The trunks of apple trees in some 100 hectares of orchards had been painted white with insecticide; beds of rice seedlings were covered with vinyl-chloride sheeting to promote growth and keep birds away. Three of the farm's five tractors were harrowing the fields at our feet, getting them ready for the spring sowing; we could hear the rhythmic pounding of the irrigation pumps in the distance. Everything was neat, orderly, prosperous and it was clear the farm management was in capable hands.

It would have required much more time than was at our disposal to see all that is to be seen at Hamhung. The city itself is beautiful with its wide, tree-lined boulevards and modern blocks of workers' apartments and shops. We passed many more factories, representing various facets of the thriving chemical industry.

The more I see the more I am staggered at the huge scale on which everything has been done and the apparently harmonious, proportioned development of heavy industry, light industry and agriculture.

Wilfred Burchett

S. Yemeni People Will Surely Win Victory

Del. of S. Yemeni Liberation Front Holds Press Interview

The Front for the Liberation of Occupied South Yemen has been recognized as the genuine representative of the South Yemeni people not only by the Arab countries but also by the Asian, African and Latin-American countries, declared Mohamed Abdula Mohamed Hilbashi, Assistant General Secretary of the Front. He is now visiting our country as a delegate of the Front.

Speaking at a press conference in Hamhung on May 10, he roundly denounced the British imperialists for resorting to vicious schemes to turn South Yemen into their permanent colony and even bringing the South Yemen question before the U.N. to subjugate it.

He said: "With no desperate efforts, however, can the enemy curb the just struggle of the South Yemeni people who have risen up with arms in their hands. The South Yemeni people will surely win victory."

He expressed whole-hearted thanks to the Korean people for their firm solidarity with and militant support for the Front for the Liberation of Occupied South Yemen in the struggle against the British imperialists.

Referring to the question of Korea's reunification, he went on:

"The question of Korea's reunification should be solved by the Korean people themselves free from any foreign interference.

"We, South Yemeni people, fully support the struggle of the Korean people for driving the U.S. imperialists out of South Korea and achieving Korea's reunification and independence."

He said:

"The enormous achievements in the economic field are not only the successes of the Korean people on the road to socialism but successes for the peoples of all countries fighting against imperialism.

"The Korean people are happy indeed because they are guided by Premier Kim Il Sung who has brought them such successes."

Patriotic Spirit

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of the Mozambique Liberation Front, praised the successes registered by the Korean people in socialist construction.

He said: "We deem it great pride and happiness to be with the Korean people. We are proud of being together with the Korean people in the big family of the three continents fighting against imperialism and colonialism."

PAULO JORGE, delegate of the Angolan People's Liberation Movement, said:

"Having acquainted ourselves with the life the Koreans people led in the difficult days of the Korean revolution against the Japanese imperialist rule and the imperialist occupation and having realized how heroically they, rallied as one around the Workers' Party of Korea, fought against the cursed aggressors, the U.S. imperialists who trampled underfoot the international agreement on the Korean question and are today perpetrating shameless barbarous aggression in Vietnam, we pay highest tribute to the Korean people."

Touching upon the successes of the Angolan people and their armed forces in the struggle against the Portuguese colonialists, he evinced the determination to fight more valorously against them.

Mozambique

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rich sources of inspiration for us.

"We once again express admiration at the valorous Korean people who not only defeated the Japanese and U.S. imperialists but successfully laid the foundations of an independent national economy within a short time, under the leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea and Marshal Kim Il Sung.

In conclusion the statement expressed the belief that the Korean people would certainly win a final victory in the struggle for their country's reunification.

RAILWAY DAY

Railway Workers Observe Their Gala Day

MAY 11 is Railway Day in our country. The Government instituted the Railway Day five years ago to do railway workers honour socially.

This year railway workers significantly observed their gala day.

In Pyongyang a meeting in honour of the Railway Day took place on May 10 with the participation of many workers in the field of railway transport. Colourful functions were held in all railway bureaus and branch bureaus.

On the occasion of the Railway Day, Premier Kim Il Sung commended the teams and individual workers that had rendered distinguished services in railway transport and railway construction. And Orders and medals were conferred on many railway workers.

Railway workers observed their red-letter day with a high degree of revolutionary zeal in labour, at a time when the people are bringing about a revolutionary upsurge upholding the resolutions of the Conference of the Workers' Party of Korea held last year.

Trainmen greeting the Railway Day

Photo by Kim Gwang Su

AT RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION SITES

A section of railway between Gowon and Hongwon running northwards along the east coast is being converted to electric traction.

Major trunk lines of the country including the line linking Pyongyang with Sinuiju, a northwestern border city, and a line between Pyongyang and Gowon running across the waist of Korea from west to east have already been converted to electric traction.

This year the Government is to invest 1.9 times more fund than last year for the modernization of railways.

When the electrification project of the section between Gowon and Hongwon is completed, the country's major line linking Pyongyang with Cho'ngjin will be fully turned to electric traction.

The youth shock brigades engaged in this project have been exceeding their daily quotas by more than 60 per cent. They are working harder to complete the project ahead of schedule.

AT A RAILWAY LOCOMOTIVE PLANT

AN unprecedented labour upsurge has been sweeping in the Pyongyang Electric Locomotive Plant where the workers' New Year's Day celebrations were held with the participation of the Premier and which received a joint congratulatory message of the Party and Government.

Upholding the line of increasing the production of electric locomotives, diesel locomotives, passenger and freight cars, the plant doubled the production of electric locomotives compared with the first quarter of the previous year. Moreover, it produced an electric locomotive over and above the plan as a Railway Day gift.

AT THE WONSAN RAILWAY FACTORY

Vigorous efforts for increased production are also being made at the Wonsan Railway Factory. Workers and technicians of the chill-cast wheels shop have honourably been carrying out their production targets which are 1.5 times higher than in the previous year. In a couple of recent months, they have increased the output of chill-cast wheels by 2.6 times compared with the average results during the past four years.

Soh Gum Ja

Living Standard of the People Further Improved

The 1967 state budget unanimously endorsed on April 26 at the seventh session of the third Supreme People's Assembly sets aside sufficient funds for enhancing the people's living standard and meeting their social and cultural needs.

The real income of the working people will continue to rise this year.

Great concern is directed to the housing conditions of the working people. Appropriations for this show a 60 per cent gain over last year. Allowances for education and science are 20 per cent up on last year and those for public health are 8.7 per cent up. No small funds are allotted to cultural and sports activities, social insurance and social maintenance.

Thus, the working people, who have no worry about food, clothing and housing questions, will receive enormous additional benefits in the form of free education, free medical treatment and rest at sanatoria and holiday homes at state expense.

The Workers' Party of Korea which regards the improvement of material and cultural welfare of the people as the supreme principle guiding its activities, has constantly shown deep concern for the betterment of the material and cultural welfare of the people in the past twenty years and more since the liberation.

While laying great stress on economic construction and defence upbuilding last year, the Party and government allotted a huge amount of funds for strengthening the educational, cultural and public health work, sufficiently meeting the growing social and cultural needs of the people and improving their living conditions.

Particularly noteworthy is the solicitude for education. The classrooms built last year were 50 per cent above those constructed in 1963. Middle schools and their branch schools have been set up in each *ri* (the lowest administrative unit) and thus all conditions were made for enforcing the new compulsory education. On this basis, the universal nine-year compulsory technical education began on April 1 this year.

For the development of the democratic national education of Korean residents in Japan, the Party and Government last year remitted to them 808,640,000 *yen* (Japanese currency) as educational aid funds, bringing the total amount sent so far to more than 5,317,000,000 *yen*.

No small amount of budgetary outlay was allotted for public health, social insurance and social maintenance. Clinics and other therapeutic and prophylactic organs increased and many nurseries and kindergartens were erected and expanded.

Housing conditions of the working people were further improved with the investment of considerable state funds in housing construction.

Agricultural tax-in-kind was totally abolished last year, the state assuming the burden of 180,000,000 *won*, for the radical enhancement of the peasants' livelihood. Each co-operative household received from the State a benefit of 160 *won* on an average last year.

The State cut down last year the farm machine fees and raised the procurement price of certain agricultural products.

Retail prices of a wide variety of mass consumption goods including textiles, foodstuff and daily necessaries, and building materials were lowered considerably.

This price cut gave a benefit of 260,000,000 won to the working people last year. These measures taken by the State brought an additional income well over 470,000,000 *won* to the working people.

Last year six-hour work day was introduced for the working mothers with many children.

Thus the real income of the working people went up generally and the living standard of the people further improved.

Photo by Kim Ryong Mun

Red Worker-Peasant Militia

Our Red worker-peasant militia with a rifle in one hand and a hammer or sickle in the other are both innovators in production and revolutionary fighters, each of whom can match one hundred and defenders of their home towns or villages. They are preparing themselves to greet the great revolutionary event of the country's reunification, while bringing about another revolutionary upsurge in economic construction, in order to implement the tasks put forward by the Conference of the Workers' Party of Korea.

They are striving to master military techniques, while preparing themselves politically and ideologically by making a deep study of the revolutionary spirit and experience of the anti-Japanese guerrillas led by Premier Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people.

Photo shows a workers' militia unit, to which Kim Yong Sok belongs.

NEW BIG POWER STATIONS

Under Construction

Part of the Pyongyang Thermal Power Plant with modern equipment now under construction

Photo by Ju So'ng Gyu

Pyongyang

The Pyongyang Thermal Power Plant, a big power base of the country, is going up on the outskirts of Pyongyang.

The workers of the thermal power plant construction enterprise have already created a generating capacity equalling nearly a half of the total in South Korea and are now striving for winding up the whole project within this year.

Some generators are already producing electricity.

This plant is another fruit reaped by the power-plant builders in implementing the line of the Fourth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea on developing the power industry ahead of other branches of the economy by promoting the construction of thermal power stations, while keeping up the construction of large hydroelectric power stations through the extensive harnessing of the rich water-power resources of the country.

They consider the early completion of the project as their revolutionary task for meeting the coming great event of revolution with full preparation.

The project of the central heating system using the water of the thermal power plant is also making brisk headway.

Unbong

On the eve of May Day when the whole country is seething with the new, revolutionary upsurge, our working class completed the dam of the Unbong Power Station.

The completion of the huge dam of the power station with a generating capacity of 400,000 kw spells one more brilliant victory of the independent line of the Workers' Party of Korea and is a demonstration of the creative strength of the constructors.

The completion of the dam will not only ensure the generating capacity of the Unbong Power Station itself but will raise the output at other power stations on the lower reaches of the Amrok River by supplementing and regulating water. It will also develop water-transport by the creation of a big artificial lake.

The power station was built under a far-reaching plan of the Party and Premier Kim Il Sung for setting up power stations in all parts of the country by making use of the rich hydraulic resources of the country in order to push power industry ahead of other industries.

Premier Kim Il Sung visited there several times and gave concrete guidance for the construction as well as for the welfare of the builders.

Bukchang

The construction of a gigantic thermal power plant is in full swing at Bukchang in the centre of the western coal field of our country.

Bukchang is now alive with the honk of lorries carrying building parts and materials and the boom of excavators, bulldozers and other heavy-duty building machines busily laying the foundations for the main buildings of the plant.

The constructors here with a rich experience in building power plants are making vigorous efforts to build the plant faster and better. They have already completed the main auxiliary facilities for the main building of the plant and now laying a side-track for the plant.

The Bukchang Thermal Power Plant will further consolidate our power industry.

Note of

A Worker-Student

I have been working as a railwayman for ten years now.

In the period I have grown from an assistant engine driver to a full-fledged one and have become a spare-time student of college after the graduation of middle school.

Joy and Enthusiasm

I finished the correspondence course of four-year higher transport school and have for two years been taking the correspondence course in mechanical engineering of the Pyongyang Transport College. Needless to say, I receive the correspondence education free of charge.

In a word, I have been studying while working these ten years.

The peculiarity of my occupation is that I, unlike other workers taking correspondence course of college, have to spend most of my time on rails. Yet I find time to study and I make the most of it for study.

Especially great is my joy at learning things and acquiring scientific knowledge. This joy renders me ever zealous in my study.

The path I chose ten years ago has proved to be correct.

I was born in a village living along the railway. I dreamed of becoming an engine driver in my childhood, whenever I saw trains running on rails giving a shrill whistle.

I made up my mind to realize this childhood dream when I finished middle school.

In every work place, people are provided with every condition for studying while working in our country. I found employment at a locomotive yard. This marked the beginning of my career as a railwayman.

Growth

The four-year correspondence course of higher transport school and the correspondence course of transport college have contributed to training myself.

The management and school authorities encourage and help me as well as all other worker-students studying in spare-time schools.

Able technicians and specialists are invited to give us help in our study. I am provided with every condition to devote as much time as possible to my study while I am off duty.

The college authorities even send teachers to visit worker-students at their places of work to give lectures in the intervals between the regular classes at school which are held once a year.

In the course of my study, I have become more confident of my work.

I have driven my electric engine more than 152,700 kilometres without any accident for two years now since I was put in charge of it.

I owe all this to our social system which enables everybody to study while working and to my study under this system.

The term of "study while working" imparts a sense of honour to me. I want to uphold this honour forever. I am sure I shall be enjoying it all my life.

RI CHANG WON,
engine driver at the West Pyongyang Locomotive Yard

Apple Trees Have Blossomed

In the past, our country had only a few apple producing districts such as Hwangju and Bukcho'ng. But nowadays the whole country is being turned into an orchard.

The Songhwa Orchard planted where scouring-rush grove had stood, for instance, annually produces tons of thousands of tons of fruits. New orchards have also been planted on the Sepo plateau rising high above sea level and in various other parts of the country.

On the occasion of the National Conference of Agricultural Co-operatives on January 5, 1959, the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea called on the people to reclaim 100,000 *jongbo* (one *jongbo* approximates one hectare) of orchards.

Later the Workers' Party of Korea adopted a decision on planting orchards on hillocks and mountainsides, and a drive was unfolded extensively to carry out the decision.

Consequently, the area of orchards in our country has expanded 5.5 times compared with the time of Japanese colonial rule, and the area under trees bearing fruits has annually increased by 10,000 *jongbo*.

There have been not only quantitative changes but also qualitative improvement in fruit growing.

Whereas apple once held a dominant share in fruit growing in our country, nowadays we produce a wide range of fruits—apricot, plum, pear, persimmon, date, cherry-bob, peach, grape and chestnut—and we have increased their varieties.

Apple trees have now begun to blossom on the state fruit farms and on the orchards run by co-operative farms.

Apricot, peach and pear blossoms have given way to the apple blossoms.

Thinning out of apple blossoms on the Pyongyang Fruit Farm
Photo by Kim Rak Ju

Documentary

"In Fighting Vietnam"

Recently the Korean Documentary Film Studio produced a documentary "In Fighting Vietnam."

The film was made of materials provided by the Vietnam Documentary Film Studio and the Studio of the Vietnam People's Army in November last year when a delegation of the Korean Documentary Film Studio visited the Democratic Republic of Vietnam.

It shows the heroic battles the Vietnamese people have fought since President Ho Chi Minh issued the order of partial mobilization in connection with the further escalation of the war by the American aggressors in July 1966; it also shows the brilliant military achievements they have made in those battles.

The scenes of Vietnamese people organizing themselves into volunteers' units enthusiastically responding to President Ho Chi Minh's order of partial mobilization and those of factories, mines and farm villages on a war footing tell that the fighting Vietnamese people are all combatants and innovators in production.

The film also exposes the brutality of the "scorched earth operations" conducted by the U.S. aggressors in South Vietnam and shows impressively the heroic struggle of the South Vietnam Liberation Army and guerrillas dealing crushing blows to the U.S. army in the "dry-season offensives."

According to the line of three-pronged attack (armed struggle, political struggle and agitation work among the enemy soldiers) they completely put the enemy on the defensive, intercepting him when he attacks, hitting at him by holding him in check when he flies and striking him from behind him and from under his very nose.

The U.S.-advertised "dry-season offensives" end in failure and great casualties occurred to the Yankees.

The South Vietnam Liberation Army and people who keep under their control four-fifths of South Vietnam's territory inhabited by two-thirds of the population there are expanding war results, spearheading their attack against Yankees.

The film reflecting the ardent patriotism and mass heroism of the Vietnamese people inspires our people with a confidence that the Vietnamese people will surely emerge victorious in their struggle by fighting even ten or twenty years until they push the American imperialists out of their territory to the last man and it inspires the Korean people with greater determination to support the Vietnamese people.

A still from documentary "In Fighting Vietnam"

Korean Delegation to International Foodstuff Equipment and Packing Exhibition

A delegation of our country left Pyongyang on May 13 by train for the Soviet Union to attend the International Exhibition of Foodstuff Equipment and Packing.

Korean Exhibition Delegation Leaves for Poland

An exhibition delegation of our country left Pyongyang on May 13 by train to attend the 36th Poznan International Fair to open on June 11.

More Farm Machines Supplied

In this farming season, the supply centre under the Pyongyang Municipal Management Committee for Farm Villages is sending more and more farm machines and implements to 130 co-operative farms under the jurisdiction of the municipality.

It has annually boosted the supply of varied chemical fertilizers to the suburban villages. This year it will send 1.3 times more chemical fertilizers than last year. Eighty per cent of this year's planned amount of chemical fertilizers has been transported to the co-op farms.

The supply of apparatuses for scientific experiment, appliances for meteorological observations and reagents for soil analysis has grown ten times and that of insecticides 25 per cent as against last year.

Besides, machines and equipment for irrigation are being provided to the suburban villages. The supply of water-lifting machines has doubled and that of rain gauges, motors and sprinklers to be fitted to tractors for watering the vegetable fields increased markedly.

As of the end of last year the co-op farms under the jurisdiction of the municipality had 2.8 tractors (in terms of 15 h.p. units) on the average per 100 *jongbo* of arable land (one *jongbo* is about one hectare). This year they are expected to be provided with more than one tractor and one lorry each. Some of them have already got them.

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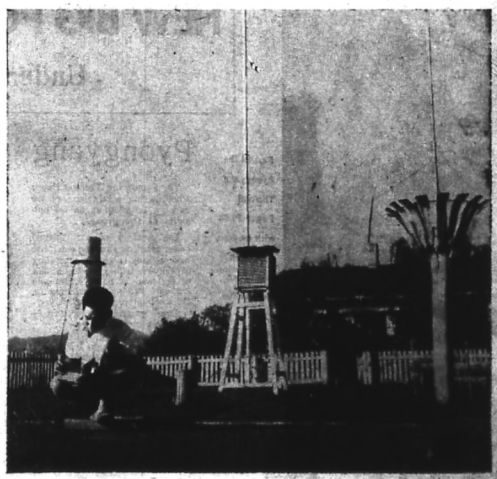

A weather observation post on a co-operative farm in a mountainous area
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